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The Honorable Robert Goodlatte Representative of Virginia 2240 Rayburn House Office Building Washington DC 20515

Dear Representative Goodlatte:

It is with great pleasure that the US Internet Industry Association commits its support of the Permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act of 2007 and to its speedy passage in the 110th Congress. We congratulate you for your leadership in this issue, and for your commitment on behalf of the people of Virginia and the nation to the principles of tax freedom and non-discrimination.

America's current growth in broadband utilization and our leadership in the deployment of fiber networks are the direct result of the decreasing cost of access and an unparalleled growth in services. Now, as these forces are spurring us to expanded deployment and a strong place in the global online economy, is not the time to crush consumers under the weight of unnecessary taxes.

There is, in fact, no time in which punitive and discriminatory tax policy has a role in our national broadband efforts, and we join you in actively resisting the imposition of such taxes on America's future. Please let us know immediately if there is any way in which we may support you in passage of the Permanent Internet Tax Freedom Act this year.

Respectfully,

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